

2d Session, 9th Parliament, 5th Geo : IV.**P. MAITLAND.**

The Lieutenant Governor transmits for the information of the House of Assembly an account and vouchers of the Commissioners of internal Navigation, of receipts and Disbursements by them to the 5th of February 1825.

Government House, November. 29th 1825.

See Appendix.

P. MAITLAND.

The Lieutenant Governor transmits for the information of the House of Assembly copies of returns of the population of the several Districts of this Province for the year 1825.

Government House, 29th November. 1825.

See Appendix.

Mr. Jonas Jones, seconded by Mr. McDonell, moves that an humble address be presented to His Excellency thanking him for his several messages of this day, and that Messrs. Gordon and Cameron be a committee to draft the said address.

Which was ordered.

Mr. Jonas Jones, seconded by Mr. Cameron, moves that that part of His Excellency's message of this day respecting the proceedings of the Arbitrators for settling the proportion of revenue to be paid by Lower Canada to this Province, which relates to the appropriation of a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, be referred to the committee of supply.

Which was ordered.

Mr. Jonas Jones, seconded by Mr. Cameron, moves that His Excellency's messages of this day, with the documents accompanying the same relating to debentures and the casual and territorial revenue of this Province, be referred to the committee of Finance.

Which was ordered.

The House went again into committee on losses.

Mr. Burke in the chair.

The House resumed.

Mr. Burke reported that the committee had agreed to the following resolutions and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Resolved,—That the sympathy expressed by the Legislature of Lower Canada for the great losses and sufferings which so many individuals, inhabitants of Upper Canada, sustained in the late contest with the United States of America, afford strong grounds to hope that the Legislature of Lower Canada will, as soon as the commercial circumstances of that Province render it practicable, concur in the imposition of new taxes for the relief of the sufferers.

Resolved,—That since the adoption of the before mentioned Resolution, it appears by the returns of the trade, and revenue of the Ports of Quebec and Montreal, that a great improvement has taken place in the commerce of Lower Canada. That it also appears by An Act of a late Session of the Imperial Parliament, a direct trade has been permitted between that Province and China, whereby still greater improvements may be reasonably expected.

The report was ordered to be received, leave was granted and it was Resolved, that the sympathy expressed by the Legislature of Lower Canada for the great losses and sufferings which so many individuals, inhabitants of Upper Canada, sustained in the late contest with the United States of America afford strong grounds to hope that the Legislature of Lower Canada will, as soon as the commercial circumstances of that Province render it practicable, concur in the imposition of new taxes for the relief of the sufferers.

Resolved,—That since the adoption of the before mentioned Resolution, it appears by the returns of the trade, and revenue of the Ports of Quebec and Montreal, that a great improvement has taken place in the commerce of Lower Canada. That it also appears by An Act of a late Session of the Imperial Parliament, a direct trade has been permitted between that Province and China, whereby still greater improvements may be reasonably expected.

And leave was granted accordingly.

Agreeably to notice Mr. Rolph, seconded by Mr. McBride, moves that an humble address be presented to His Excellency, requesting him to lay before this House the correspondence and other instructions and communications from His Majesty's Government in England respecting the subject of His Excellency's message, touching the civil rights of certain inhabitants in this Province, and that Messrs. Playter and McCall do form a committee to draft and report the same.

On which the House divided, and the Yeas and Nays being taken were as follows:—

YEAS—Messrs. Baby, Beardsley, Beasley, Bidwell, Clark, Fothergill, Hamilton, Hornor, Ingersol, Lefferty, Lyons, Matthews, McBride, McCall, Perry, Playter, Randal, Rolph, Scollick, Thompson, Thomson, Walsh and White—23.

NAYS—Messrs. Burke, Cameron, Gordon, C. Jones, J. Jones, McDonell, Walker and Wilkinson—8.

The question was carried in the affirmative by a majority of fifteen and ordered accordingly.

Mr. Rolph, from the committee to draft an address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, relative to communications to and from His Majesty's Government respecting Aliens, reported a draft which was received and read the first time.

Mr. Rolph, seconded by Mr. McBride, moves that the address to His Excellency requesting information respecting the civil rights of certain inhabitants in this Province, be read a second time this day.

Which was carried and the draft was read the second time.

Mr. Rolph, seconded by Mr. McBride, moves that the House do resolve itself into a committee upon the address to His Excellency, requesting him to lay before the House the correspondence and other communications to and from England on the subject of His Excellency's message respecting the civil rights of certain inhabitants in this Province.

Which was carried, and Mr. Playter was called to the chair.

The House resumed.

Mr. Playter reported the address without amendment.

The report was ordered to be received.

Mr. Rolph, seconded by Mr. McBride, moves that the address to His Excellency respecting his message relative to the civil rights of certain persons in this Province, be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Which was ordered.

Agreeably to notice Mr. Rolph, seconded by Mr. Bidwell, moves that a committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of the delay in printing the Statutes of last Session, and that Messrs. Baby and Thomson do form that committee with power to send for persons and papers.

Which was ordered.

Agreeably to the order of the day the Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, relative to communications to and from His Majesty's Government on the subject of Aliens was read the third time, as follows: